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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Adam J. Simonoff

Serial No.: 09/296,757

Filed: April 23, 1999

For: **A METHOD FOR FACILITATING
COLLABORATIVE N DEVELOPMENT
EFFORTS BETWEEN WIDELY
DISPERSED USERS**

Group Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Viet Duy VU

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **December 5, 2001**, and further to the Petition for an Extension of Time of One Month, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1-3 and 9 as follows:

1 1. (Amended) A method facilitating collaboration between a plurality of users of
2 incompatible hardware and/or operating systems, comprising:
3 selectively generating predetermined objects, text objects, active hyperlink objects, [active
4 track objects,] and freehand drawing objects, which are displayable at user-selected locations on a
5 White Board screen of one of the users;
6 transmitting all generated ones of the predetermined, the active hyperlink, the text, [the active
7 track,] and the freehand drawing objects for selective distributions to each of the other users;